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NOTES RESISTANCE AGAINST NEW FARMERS -- Potsdam Maerkische Volksstimme, 22 Aug 50

Great resistance against new farmers has been noticeable in many localities. The old owners of big farms and the local heads of the communities have done everything to discourage new farmers. Many new farmers have been overcharged by private builders because of their lack of experience and the lack of any help or advice for them.

In the Wuestenfahnov community in Kreis Westprignitz it has become clear that there was malicious intent on the part of individual private builders and of the Landbau Ltd.; some of the 62 buildings for new farmers which were started in 1949 have had to be torn down and rebuilt because of bad foundations and poor construction. Many new farmers have not been able to get ahead and others have shown no interest in their farms. Should these new farmers not be able to deliver their quota or get into difficulties in other respects, then it will be necessary for county counselors to examine their plight and give them every possible help.

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